

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE
(JUNE 13, 2003)

TWO DOD CONTRACTING OFFICERS RECEIVE TOP ACQUISITION AWARDS

Two Department of Defense contracting officers were recognized June 12 for their innovative and cutting-edge business practices. **Charles Bright**, U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., and **Nancy Gunderson**, Pentagon Renovation Program, received their individual awards at a dinner ceremony as part of the 3rd Annual Federal Acquisition Conference held this week at the Sheraton Premier Hotel, Tysons Corner, Va.

Bright was presented the Ida Ustad Award for Excellence in Acquisition by Steven Perry, Administrator of the General Services Administration (GSA), which sponsors that award named in honor of the late Ida Mae Ustad, a former Deputy Associate Administrator at GSA. Bright was recognized for his significant contributions directly supporting the global war on terrorism and for developing the contract to equip MH-53M helicopters with a new defensive system.

Gunderson received the Elmer B. Staats Young Acquisition Professional Excellence Award from Bill Tuttle of the Procurement Round Table. She is the first-ever recipient of this award sponsored by the Procurement Round Table in cooperation with the Procurement Executives Council. The award is named in honor of the former Comptroller General of the United States. Gunderson was lauded for managing approximately \$1 billion in project contracts, including the post 9/11 Pentagon reconstruction, known as the Phoenix Project.

U.S. ARMY TECHNOLOGY PROTECTION PROGRAM OASA(ALT), JUNE 15, 2003

The U.S. Army has initiated the Technology Protection Program (TPP) to regulate the protection of sensitive technologies. The TPP requires technology developers such as engineers and scientists to work together with intelligence and security personnel to develop, execute, and maintain policies and procedures that will protect the Army's sensitive technologies from compromise. U.S. Army CI and Technology Protection Specialists provide focused CI and security support to RDT&E facilities, laboratories, program offices, and test ranges involved in the development of critical technologies.

The Program or Science and Technology Objective (STO) Manager identifies the Critical Program Information (CPI). The STO Manager/PM is responsible for developing a TPP. The TPP will be revised and updated every year or as required by changes to acquisition program status or the pro-

jected threat. If you are a STO or PM and need assistance regarding technology protection, contact your supporting intelligence and security office.

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ARMY ANNOUNCES VENTURE CAPITAL INITIATIVE (VCI)

OASA(ALT), JUNE 15, 2003

The Army announced its Venture Capital Initiative (VCI) to satisfy a critical Army technology requirement—obtaining lighter, more efficient power sources for individual soldier systems.

"Power and energy technologies are an opportune area for Army investment, particularly because the Army's interests parallel those fueling the commercial market," emphasized Dr. A. Michael Andrews, Army Chief Scientist.

The goal of the VCI is to jump-start promising technologies in the area of portable power and energy to lighten soldiers' loads as they operate worldwide, often in extreme environments and under austere conditions. It will focus its investment activities on innovative technology companies, including those that may not normally do business with the Army.

For more information, contact Maj. Amy Hannah, U.S. Army Public Affairs at 703-697-4314. This document is available on ArmyLink, a World Wide Web site on the Internet at <http://www.dtic.mil/armylink>.

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AIR FORCE PRINT NEWS (JUNE 18, 2003)

AIR FORCE WINS DOD VALUE ENGINEERING AWARDS

WASHINGTON (AFPN)—The Air Force is the recipient of three Department of Defense Value Engineering Achievement Awards. Dr. Glenn F. Lamartin, Defense Systems Director for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, presented the awards during a June 18 ceremony at the Pentagon. The Air Force recipients are:

- **Program/Project Category:** Minuteman III Guidance Replacement Program, Intercontinental Ballistic Missile System Program Office, Hill Air Force Base, Utah.
- **Individual Category:** Helen M. Rico, Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome, N.Y.

- **Organization Category:** Global Command and Control System, Air Force Transition Team, Electronic Systems Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.

Value engineering is a process used to analyze functions in hopes of identifying ways to reduce the production or operations cost of systems, equipment, facilities, services, or supplies. The goal is to reduce total cost of ownership while retaining required system performance and quality, according to officials.

During fiscal 2002, more than 3,250 in-house proposals and contractor-initiated change proposals were accepted with projected savings of more than \$2.5 billion, officials said.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 20, 2003)

DOD SELECTS MINORITY INSTITUTIONS FOR GRANTS

The Department of Defense today announced plans to award 25 grants totaling \$6.3 million to minority institutions. These grants represent the final phase of the fiscal 2003 DoD Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions Infrastructure Support Program. The grants will enhance programs and capabilities at these institutions in scientific disciplines critical to national security and DoD.

This announcement is the result of merit competition for infrastructure support funding conducted for the Office of Defense Research and Engineering by the Army Research Office, the Office of Naval Research, and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, in response to a broad agency announcement issued in November 2002. The fiscal 2003 program solicitation received 43 proposals among which 22 were to establish long-term centers of excellence, and 21 requested instrumentation or equipment to enhance science, mathematics, and engineering (SME) programs.

Among the proposed awards are four new centers for SME research and education and 21 equipment grants. The centers will be supported for three to five years at approximately \$0.8 million per year. Equipment grants are for 12-month periods and will range from \$58,000 to \$180,000.

Since 1992 the infrastructure support program has provided more than \$170 million to minority institutions for program enhancements in science, mathematics, and engineering. The program goals include increased participation of minority institutions in defense research and an increase in the number of underrepresented minority graduates in the fields of science, mathematics, and engineering.

Awards will be made only after written agreements are reached between the Department and the institutions. The list of recipients is available online at: <http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Jun2003/d20030620hbcu.pdf>.

AMERICAN FORCES INFORMATION SERVICE (JUNE 20, 2003) **BUSINESS LEADERS SALUTE TROOPS, DEFENSE SECRETARY**

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WASHINGTON, June 20, 2003—More than 750 of the nation's top business leaders turned out in black-tie June 19 to pay tribute to the nation's men and women in uniform and the man who leads them, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

"There's a class of people who, when all else fails and the nation must resort to armed force, come forth to execute the nation's policies," retired Air Force Gen. Charles G. Boyd said at the Eisenhower Awards Dinner, sponsored by Business Executives for National Security.

BENS, a national, nonpartisan organization, works to make America safe and secure. BENS members are senior executives who help the Pentagon, Congress, and the White House develop new solutions to national security challenges.

Each year, the group honors one American with the Eisenhower Award. BENS founder Stanley A. Weiss presented this year's award to Rumsfeld.

First presented in 1986 on the 25th anniversary of President Eisenhower's farewell address, the award recognizes those Americans whose contributions to the country best reflect Eisenhower's definition of security as "the total product of our economic, intellectual, moral, and military strength."

Past award recipients include former Defense Secretaries William Perry and William Cohen, and Army Gen. Hugh Shelton, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Last year's recipient was National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice.

U.S. ARMY NEWS RELEASE (JUNE 30, 2003)

ARMY APPROVES NEW BUSINESS INITIATIVES TO ENHANCE ARMY AND DOD CAPABILITIES

The Army Business Initiative Council has approved 16 new business initiatives as part of the process to identify and implement business efficiencies and reforms.

The approval marks the fifth time the Army BIC has met since Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld created the BIC process for the Department of Defense in June 2001. The Army and DoD councils both focus on identifying ways to streamline cumbersome directives and lengthy staffing processes to spend resources more wisely.

Of the 16 initiatives, seven have benefits that extend beyond the Army to all military services and will be submitted to the DoD BIC for review.

The approved Army initiatives include:

- Promoting the use of standardized batteries to improve battery availability in times of increased need and encouraging the use of rechargeable batteries in combat situations.
- Standardizing parts throughout the Logistics system, with a specific focus on the eight different models of trailers in the current inventory.
- Streamlining and automating the process for determining Army family members' eligibility for services, creating a more transparent and less paper-intensive process that uses a Web-based, user-friendly environment.

Don Tison, executive director of the Army BIC, noted that any cost savings realized from these initiatives are retained by the Army organization that proposed them. "This encourages innovative thinking within Army organizations that result in increased efficiencies and effectiveness," said Tison. "Through the Army BIC we have developed a military culture that rewards innovation, improves the way it does business, and saves time and money, which goes right back to the Army's warfighters—our soldiers and civilians," said Tison.

The Honorable Les Brownlee, Acting Secretary of the Army, chairs the BIC. To date the Secretary of the Army has approved a total of 66 BIC initiatives. A complete list of Army-approved initiatives can be found at <http://www.asafm.army.mil/bic.asp>.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE
(JULY 11, 2003)

DOD RECEIVES NEW CAPABILITIES DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

A program designed to help Defense Department officials determine what programs and projects to acquire to enhance joint readiness debuted this week. The Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System, or JCIDS, replaced the existing Requirements Generation System. Approved by Air Force Gen. Richard B. Myers, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, JCIDS is a result of Secretary of De-

fense Donald H. Rumsfeld's goal of transforming the DoD's business practices and warfighting capabilities. According to joint staff officials, JCIDS is designed to foster efficiency, flexibility, creativity, and innovation in the acquisition process.

JCIDS enables organizations to define their capability needs while still focusing on national strategy. Under the new program, operators and materiel providers will work together early in the acquisition process to propose materiel solutions that satisfy capability shortfalls more effectively. The system supports DoD's aim of providing equipment that is used throughout each of America's armed services and that best meets the needs of future warfighters.

Officials from the Joint Staff, the Office of the Secretary of Defense and more than two dozen organizations in and out of DoD worked to develop JCIDS.

The new CJCS Instruction 3170.01C and CJCS Manual 3170.01 can be found on the Web at http://www.dtic.mil/cjcs_directives. For more information, contact Joint Chiefs of Staff Public Affairs at (703) 695-7678.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE
(JULY 17, 2003)

NAVY ANNOUNCES CONTRACT AWARD FOR DESIGN OF SHIP

General Dynamics-Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine; Lockheed Martin Naval Electronics & Surveillance Systems-Surface Systems, Washington, D.C.; and Raytheon Co., Integrated Defense Systems, Portsmouth, R.I., are each being awarded a contract for the performance of Flight Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) preliminary design. Each contractor will perform a seven-month preliminary design effort to refine its proposed littoral combat ship concept.

LCS will be a high-speed ship designed for fighting in littoral or coastal areas. LCS will feature an advanced hull form and a shallow draft and will be capable of quickly moving through the littoral at speeds of up to 40 to 50 knots. Operating close to land, LCS will enhance the capabilities of the Navy's larger multi-mission surface ships such as the planned next-generation destroyer and cruiser and today's fleet of Aegis warships.

By adding mission module packages to LCS, commanders will tailor the ship to combat threats most often found in the littoral: naval mines, diesel submarines, and small fast surface craft.

Each LCS will also have inherent capabilities regardless of the mission module package with which it is operating. Each ship will be able to defend itself from attack; conduct intel-

ligence, surveillance and reconnaissance missions; support joint special operations forces; provide joint mobility in the littoral; interdict other ships; and defend the homeland. To enable this capability, LCS will be networked to share information with other navy ships, aircraft and submarines, with unmanned vehicles, and with units from the other armed services.

"The LCS teams selected represent the best available domestic and international expertise, and reflect strong efforts on the part of industry to provide innovative technologies and operational flexibility for the fleet customer," said John Young, assistant secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition. "Our LCS acquisition strategy supports delivery of the first ship as early as fiscal 2007, within five years of program start. Additionally, the modularity and open architecture design planned for LCS will ensure we continue to bring enhanced capability to the Fleet and that we do so more quickly and at a lower cost."

"The future for the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps team requires us to dominate the near land battlespace and provide access for our joint combat team," said Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Vern Clark. "Our enemies will continue to develop asymmetric means to stop us. LCS will be the asymmetric advantage that will allow us to dominate in this critical area. We need this capability as quickly as we can get it to the Fleet."

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 23, 2003)

DOD SELECTS TRIBAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOR GRANTS

The Department of Defense (DoD) announced today plans to award instrumentation grants totaling \$2.7 million to 11 Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs). These grants will be made under the fiscal 2003 DoD Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions Infrastructure Support Program. The grants will enhance programs and capabilities at these minority institutions in scientific disciplines critical to national security and the DoD.

This announcement is the result of merit competition for infrastructure support funding conducted for the Office of Defense Research and Engineering by the Army Research Office through a broad agency announcement issued in January 2003. The Army Research Office plans to award 11 grants ranging from \$76,000 to \$400,000, only after written agreements are reached between the Department and the institutions.

The list of recipients is available on the Web at: <http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Jul2003/d20030723college.pdf>.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE NEWS RELEASE (JULY 30, 2003)

NAVY ANNOUNCES DD(X) S-BAND RADAR DECISION

The Navy decided today to use S-Band rather than L-Band technology for the volume search radar that will be on the next-generation destroyer, DD(X). This higher frequency radar will improve the ability of the destroyer to track aircraft and missiles and to counterattack shore-based gun or missile batteries that attempt to strike the ship.

"The shift to S-Band technology is a very carefully considered, logical decision which seeks to ensure every investment dollar is leveraged to achieve near term and long term goals," according to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research Development and Acquisition John Young.

"The decision effectively creates a radar road map for the Navy, which draws on extensive, successful experience with S-Band on Aegis, provides enhanced capability for DD(X) as well as a future growth path, and supports the advancement of radar technology necessary for the CG(X) cruiser. Our industry partners, Northrop Grumman, Lockheed Martin, and Raytheon have been exceptional in working cooperatively to allow this decision to be made, demonstrating their understanding of the benefits to the Fleet and the priority they place on supporting the Navy and Marine Corps."

DD(X) will be designed to perform in multiple warfare areas, and its original missions are unchanged. First and foremost, DD(X) will support joint and allied troops ashore by performing precision strike and fire support. The ship will also be able to fight submarines and other ships and will defend against airborne threats.

DD(X) is not envisioned to perform ballistic missile defense. Its S-Band radar will not have the power output required to fulfill that mission. However, the radar does have the potential to be scaled up in size for possible use on the next-generation cruiser, CG(X), which will have significant ballistic missile defense capability.

The shift to S-Band technology is not expected to impact the major milestones for the next-generation destroyer program. The Navy still expects to award the lead-ship construction contract in fiscal 2005 to support delivery of that ship in fiscal 2011.

The change to S-Band will be effected through a contract modification to the existing DD(X) contract with Northrop Grumman Ship Systems. Raytheon and Lockheed Martin are subcontractors under the contract.